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RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 4, 2009, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-7, for examination. As single disclosed species, Applicants provisionally elect, for examination purposes only, the following species set:

Specie A: malic acid

Specie B: sodium fluoride

Claims 1-7 read on the elected species.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.